

★ AMERICAN LEGION ★

24<sup>th</sup>  
ANNUAL  
NATIONAL  
CONVENTION  
★  
1942



KANSAS CITY

September 19-20-21

Official Program

# THE LEGIONNAIRE'S WAR CREDO



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By LYNN U. STAMBAUGH, *National Commander, The American Legion*

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**I** WILL do all that I can to demonstrate my allegiance to the flag and to the Republic for which it stands.

¶ I will harbor no thought, perform no action, utter no words, that will create doubt about the country I love, the United States of America.

¶ I will do all that I can to bring victory to the United States of America and to her military allies.

¶ I will keep ever in mind the basic necessity for bringing about the overthrow of every sworn enemy of my country.

¶ I will be guided by reason, rather than by emotion, in the daily effort to make right the master of might.

¶ I will do my utmost to inspire confidence in the leaders of our war effort.

¶ I will, so far as it lies within my power, conduct my own war efforts as if I were, in fact, wearing the uniform of my country.

¶ I will resist any temptation to hamper my country's progress in this war because of any selfish desire for private profit or personal gain.

¶ I will be ever alert as a guardian of my country's richest heritage—the *American heritage of freedom and justice*.



# THE AMERICAN LEGION

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI



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TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION  
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

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TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL PROMENADE NATIONALE  
LA SOCIETE DES QUARANTE HOMMES ET HUIT CHEVAUX

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TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL MARCHE NATIONALE  
LA BOUTIQUE DES HUIT CHAPEAUX ET QUARANTE FEMMES

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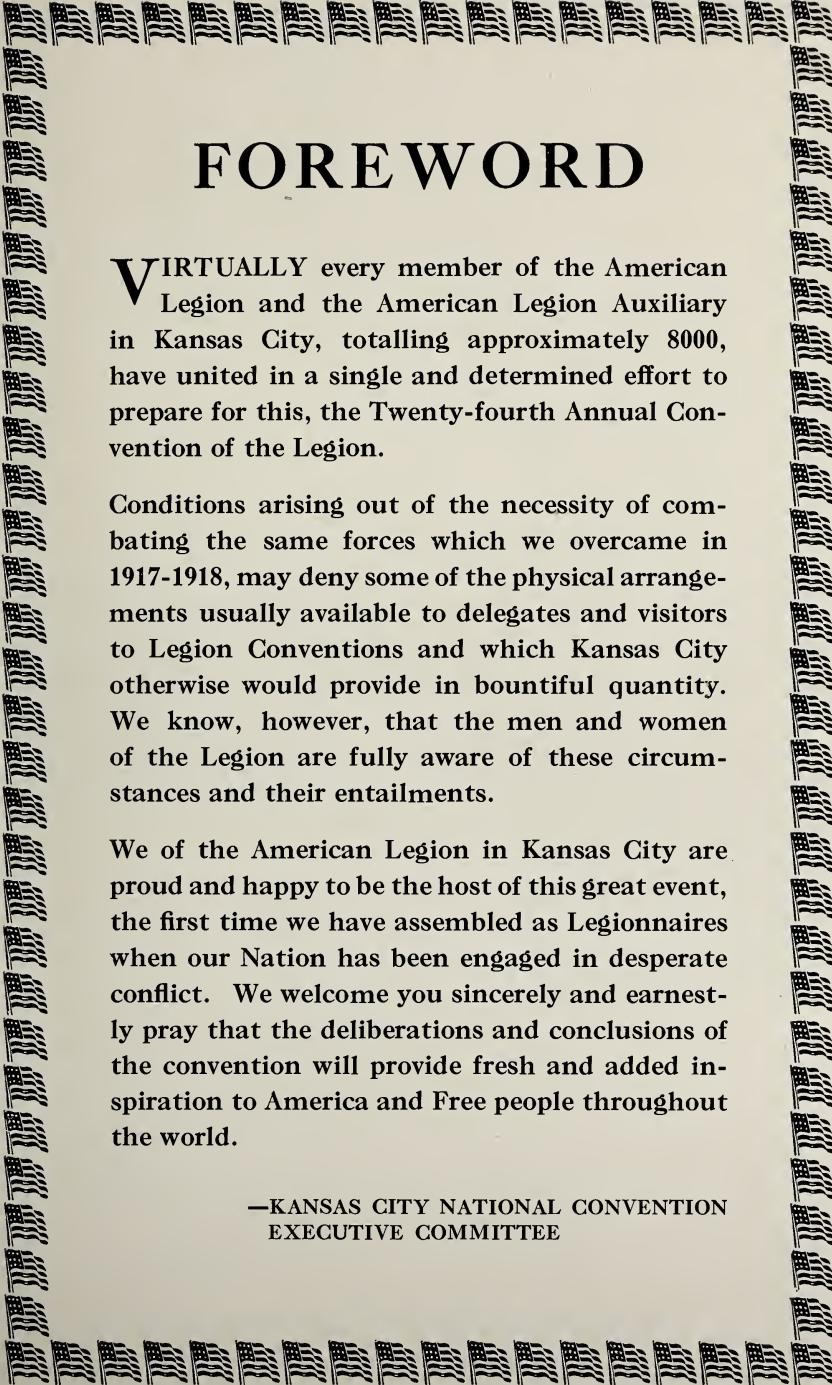
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## P R E A M B L E

### TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

For God and Country, we associate ourselves together for the following purposes: to uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a one hundred per cent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of our association in the great war; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation; to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses; to make right the master of might; to promote peace and good will on earth; to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy; to consecrate and sanctify our comradeship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.



# FOREWORD

**V**IERTUALLY every member of the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary in Kansas City, totalling approximately 8000, have united in a single and determined effort to prepare for this, the Twenty-fourth Annual Convention of the Legion.

Conditions arising out of the necessity of combating the same forces which we overcame in 1917-1918, may deny some of the physical arrangements usually available to delegates and visitors to Legion Conventions and which Kansas City otherwise would provide in bountiful quantity. We know, however, that the men and women of the Legion are fully aware of these circumstances and their entailments.

We of the American Legion in Kansas City are proud and happy to be the host of this great event, the first time we have assembled as Legionnaires when our Nation has been engaged in desperate conflict. We welcome you sincerely and earnestly pray that the deliberations and conclusions of the convention will provide fresh and added inspiration to America and Free people throughout the world.

—KANSAS CITY NATIONAL CONVENTION  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

August 21, 1942.

My dear Commander Stambaugh:

The American Legion is meeting this year in a National Convention for the first time during the greatest war in which our country has ever been engaged. During all of the years since the war in which you took part as fighting men, the American Legion has been gaining strength. It was never better prepared than today to perform the service to which it is pledged, for God and country. The country today looks with confidence to you for the complete fulfillment of that commitment.

Very sincerely yours,

Lynn U. Stambaugh, Esq.,  
National Commander,  
The American Legion,  
Indianapolis, Indiana.



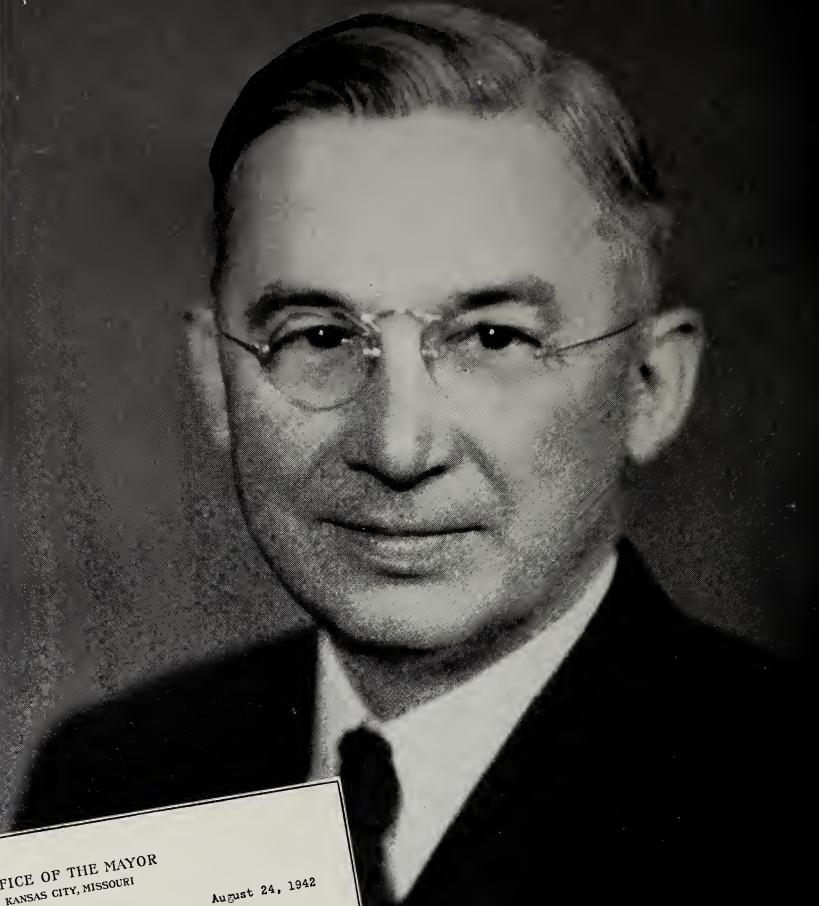
## **LYNN U. STAMBAUGH**

*National Commander*

Lynn Upshaw Stambaugh, attorney of Fargo, North Dakota, was born at Abilene, Kansas, July 4, 1890. He is a law graduate of the University of North Dakota, and has been active in his profession since 1913. His legal career was interrupted by 22 months of service in the armed forces of the United States during the World War. He was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant of Field Artillery on July 12, 1918, while serving overseas.

After the war he resumed his practice of law and became active in The American Legion, joining the Gilbert C. Grafton Post No. 2. He served as vice-commander of this post in 1930 and was elected post commander in 1931. Since 1932 he has been a member of the Department Executive Committee and was Department Employment Officer in 1932. In 1934 he was elected commander of the Department of North Dakota. For 7 years he was a member of The American Legion Publishing and Publicity Commission, and during 1940-41 he served as chairman of the National Rehabilitation Committee.

Mr. Stambaugh is married to Enid E. Erickson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Erickson.



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

August 24, 1942

JOHN B. GAGE, MAYOR  
MEMBER U. S. CONFERENCE OF MAYORS

To the Members of the American Legion:

As Mayor of Kansas City it gives me a great deal of pleasure to extend the greetings of this community to the men who in World War I fought so valiantly and successfully to uphold the honor of America and to maintain right and decency. The true character of the assault then made, which you so heroically repelled, has become increasingly clear and is now known and recognized by all men who cherish freedom and liberty.

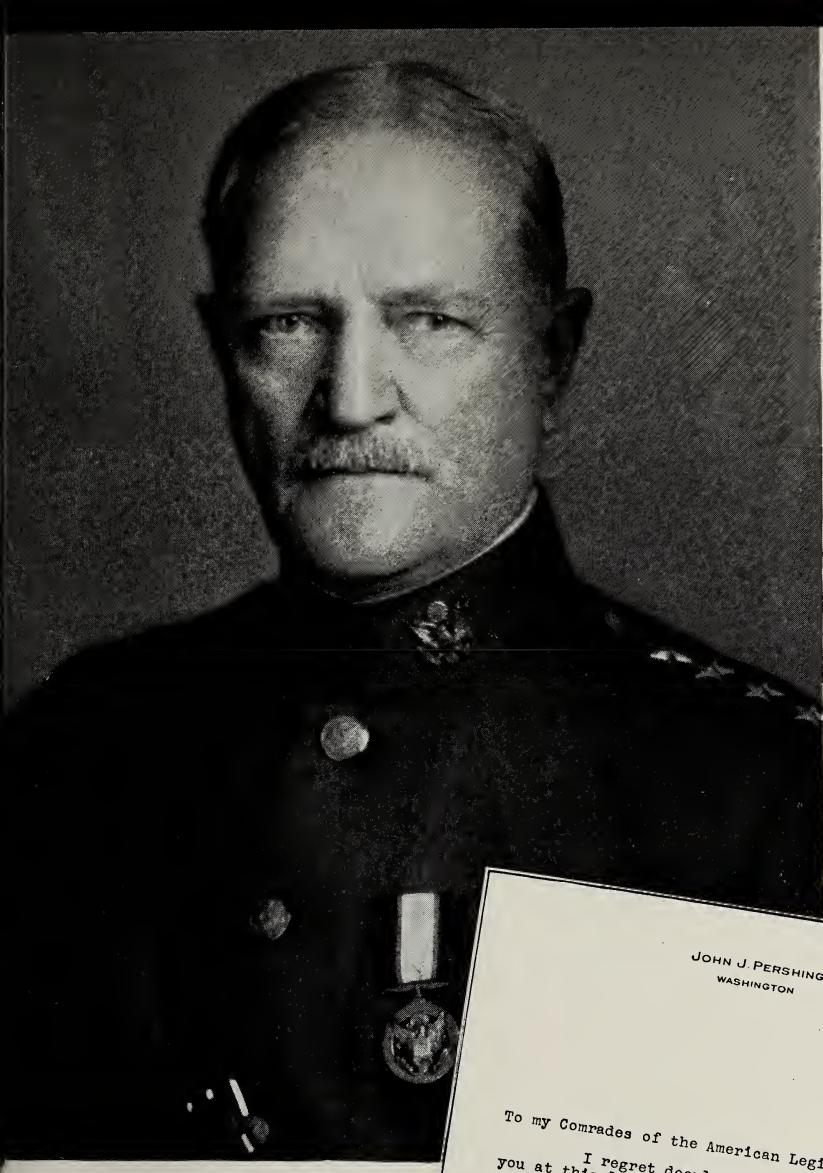
Had the statesmen and politicians of the world taken advantage of the opportunity your sacrifices afforded to "Make the World Safe for Democracy" our boys today would not be again fighting aggression or whose purpose is to impose slavery upon the world.

Your organization, through all the intervening years has preached the doctrine of military preparedness, of realistic maintenance of rights so dearly bought. Your conduct both in war and peace has been that of real red-blooded Americans. Many of you, those qualified to do so, again enter the combat services of the nation. Your various organizations give necessary and forthright support to Civilian Defense and to all other activities essential in a nation engaged in total war.

At this crucial time in our national life Kansas City, the most American of all large cities, is honored by its selection as the convention city of the American Legion.

Yours very truly,

Mayor.



JOHN J. PERSHING  
WASHINGTON

To my Comrades of the American Legion:

I regret deeply that I cannot be with you at this 1942 Convention in Kansas City as I was at that memorable meeting there twenty-one years ago, when we had as our guests those distinguished Allied leaders: Marshal Foch, Generals Diaz and Jacques, and Admiral Beatty. My cordial greetings and warmest good wishes to you all, however.

As a Legionnaire I am proud of the Legion's record, and as a citizen feel a sense of keen satisfaction that there exists today this great body of veterans, of proven patriotism and valor, solidly united in support of the nation's new and gigantic war effort.

John J. Pershing



FORREST C. DONNELL  
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE  
STATE OF MISSOURI  
JEFFERSON CITY

September 5, 1942.

To The American Legion:

Missouri greets you on the occasion of the Twenty Fourth Annual National Convention of The American Legion which is to be held in Kansas City, Missouri on September 19, 20 and 21 of this year.

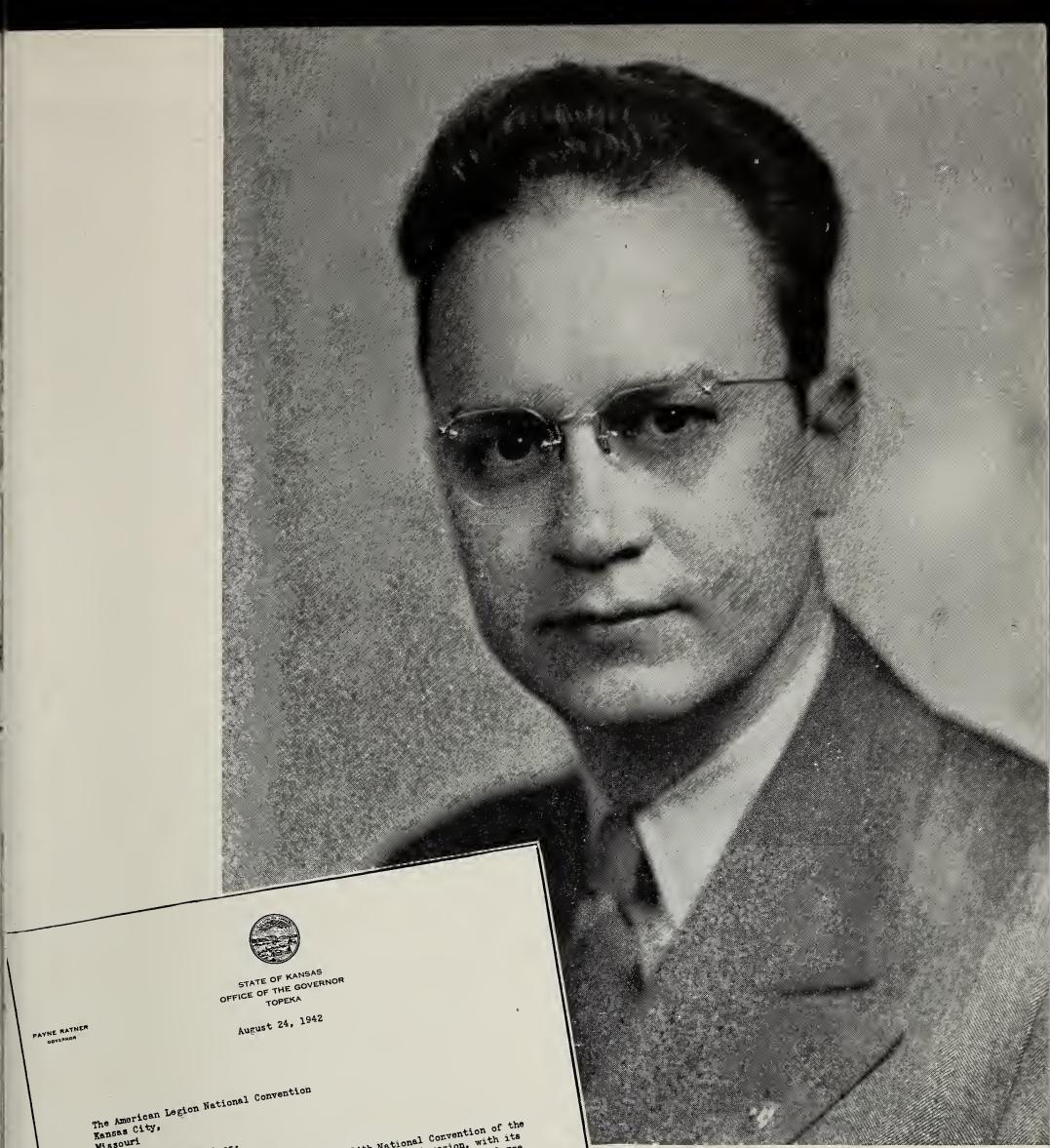
At Paris, France in March 1919 occurred the meeting of American soldiers in which was appointed a committee to form the organization in the United States. Missourians have reason to be proud that in St. Louis, Missouri in May 1919 was held the convention preliminary to the completion of the formation of the Order.

The people of Missouri have no doubt of the patriotism of The American Legion. We are honored by the fact that you are holding your Convention in our midst. We are sure that the example of your loyal and patriotic devotion to the nation will be of encouragement and inspiration to the people of the United States in this time of war.

The best wishes of Missouri are extended to you.

Yours truly,

Forrest C. Donnell  
Governor



PAYNE RATNER  
GOVERNOR



STATE OF KANSAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR  
TOPEKA

August 24, 1942

The American Legion National Convention  
Kansas City,  
Missouri

Dear Fellow Legionnaires:

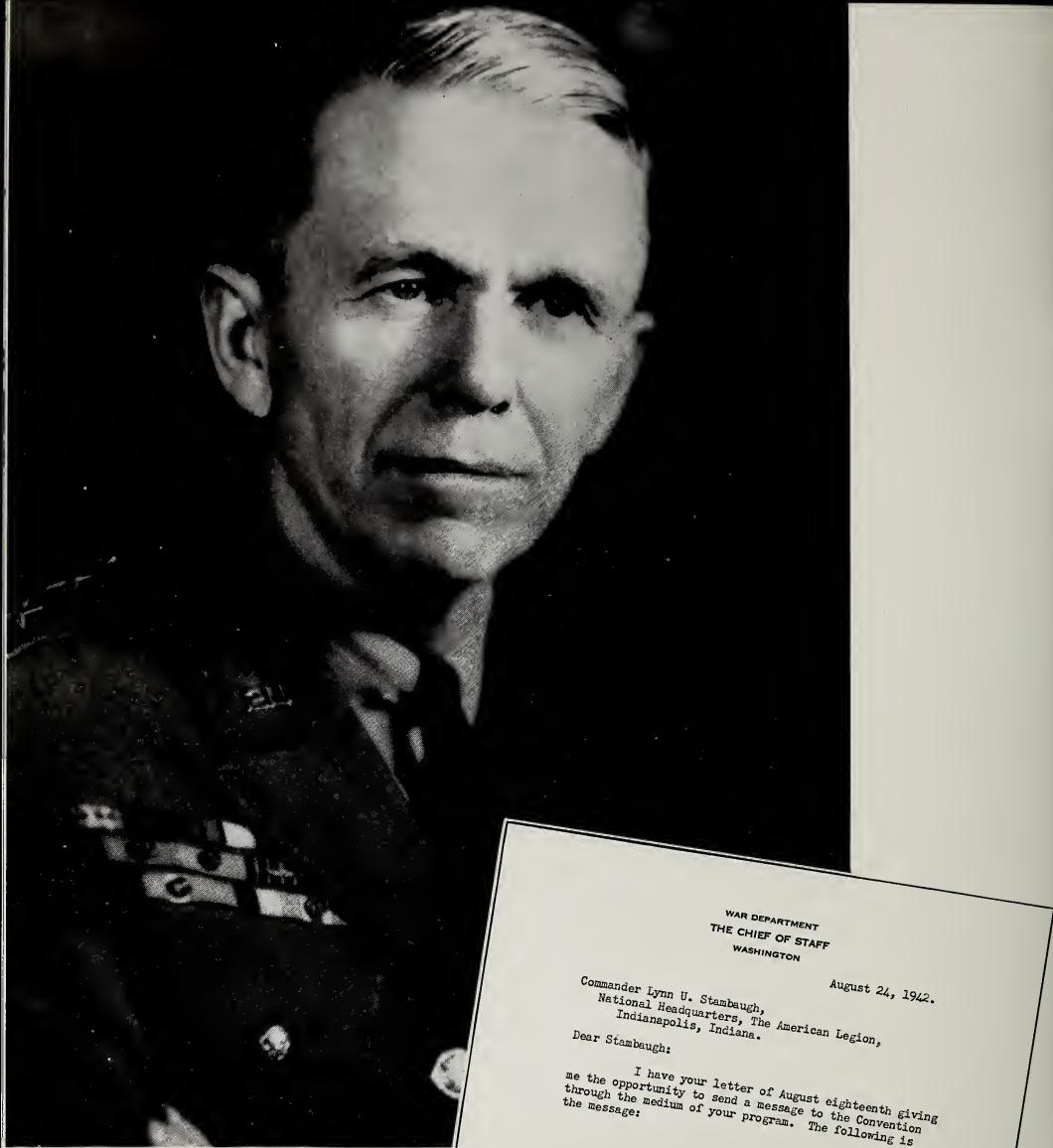
Kansas City, the host community of the 24th National Convention of the American Legion, is an inter-state center of this midwest region, with its agricultural, industrial, social, and economic activities drawing in large measure upon the state of Kansas. Therefore, Kansas feels that it is appropriate to share in the honor and pleasure of welcoming the American Legion to the midwest and as a fellow Legionnaire, and as governor of Kansas, I wish to extend greetings and best wishes for a most inspiring and helpful convention.

The annual national conventions of the American Legion have always been important to all the people of America, for the Legion has ever been an organization dedicated to the best interests of all our citizens. Yet never before has the Legion occupied such a responsible place in our national life as now. Never before has the Legion carried such heavy obligations as now.

The thoughts expressed, the programs adopted, and the actions taken at this national convention will have a profound effect upon the thinking of the entire nation as we engage in the greatest war of all times. To the men of the Legion, who served during the last great conflict, America now looks for much of the leadership necessary for carrying us on to victory.

The Legion will furnish that guidance, and will help lead all our citizens in an inspired, sacrificial, affectionate patriotism which will triumph over every adversity and carry us forward to the final victory for America and the United Nations.

Sincerely  
Payne Ratner -



WAR DEPARTMENT  
THE CHIEF OF STAFF  
WASHINGTON

August 24, 1942.

Commander Lynn U. Stambaugh,  
National Headquarters, The American Legion,  
Indianapolis, Indiana.

Dear Stambaugh:

I have your letter of August eighteenth giving me the opportunity to send a message to the Convention through the medium of your program. The following is

"I regret very much that circumstances do not permit me to attend the Legion Convention this year. I should have liked personally to have expressed my thanks for the support the Legion has given the Army during a most difficult period of great activity and development. I should also have wished to ask your backing of our purpose to win this war by preparations and direction based on the broad fundamentals which have been developed through the years, and by the selection of commanders for our troops on the sole basis of demonstrated capacity as leaders, officers who will rise above difficulties and will inspire their men to aggressive action no matter how formidable the apparent obstacles."

Faithfully yours,



George C. Marshall  
Chief of Staff



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UNITED STATES FLEET  
HEADQUARTERS OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF  
NAVY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.

August 26, 1942.

Mr. Lynn U. Stambaugh,  
National Commander,  
The American Legion,  
National Headquarters,  
Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Mr. Stambaugh:

On this occasion of your twenty-fourth annual convention, I am happy to take this opportunity to extend my personal respects to you who were engaged in the first World War. I know you are also fighting this present war - but this time on a different "front".

Speaking for the officers and men of the Navy, I can say that your example of determination and self-sacrifice a quarter of a century ago, has been an inspiration to all of us.

I extend my best wishes for a successful convention and the success of the common effort we are all making.

Sincerely yours,  
*E.J. King*  
Admiral, U. S. Navy.

# OFFICIAL PROGRAM

Twenty-Fourth Annual National Convention

# THE AMERICAN LEGION

SEPTEMBER 19, 20 and 21, 1942

KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

## ADVANCE MEETINGS

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1942

9:00 a. m. Resolutions Assignment Committee

Place of Meeting

M. Aud'm—Room 205

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1942

9:00 a. m. Constitution and By-Laws Committee

M. Aud'm—Room 205

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1942

9:00 a. m. National Contests Supervisory Committee

M. Aud'm—Room 205

9:00 a. m. National Aeronautics Commission

M. Aud'm—Room 202

9:00 a. m. National Convention Liaison Committee

M. Aud'm—Room 203

9:00 a. m. National Coordinating Committee

M. Aud'm—Room 204

9:00 a. m. National Defense Committee

M. Aud'm—Room 201

9:00 a. m. Committee on Civil Defense

M. Aud'm—Room 206

9:00 a. m. Committee on Merchant Marine

M. Aud'm—Room 301

9:00 a. m. Committee on Naval Affairs

M. Aud'm—Room 302

9:00 a. m. National Emblem Committee

M. Aud'm—Room 303

9:00 a. m. National Finance Committee

M. Aud'm—Room 304

9:00 a. m. Highway Safety Committee

M. Aud'm—Room 305

9:00 a. m. Executive Section Law and Order Committee

M. Aud'm—Room 306

9:00 a. m. Legion Publications Commission

M. Aud'm—Room 307

9:00 a. m. Trophies, Awards and Ceremonials Committee

M. Aud'm—Room 308

9:00 a. m. National Employment Committee

M. Aud'm—Room 309

9:00 a. m. National Legislative Committee

M. Aud'm—Room 310

9:00 a. m. National Rehabilitation Committee, Executive Section

M. Aud'm—Room 310

9:00 a. m. Resolutions Subcommittee of the National Executive Committee

M. Aud'm—Room 312

10:00 a. m. Meeting of National Sergeant-at-Arms and Asst. Sergeants-at-Arms

M. Aud'm—Platform

2:00 p. m. National Executive Committee

Muehlebach Hotel

12:00 noon Convention Committee on Credentials

Muehlebach Hotel,  
Tea Room, 1st Fl.

12:15 p. m. Convention Committee on Permanent Organization

Muehlebach Hotel,  
Tea Room, 1st Fl.

12:30 p. m. Convention Committee on Rules

Muehlebach Hotel,  
Tea Room, 1st Fl.

## OPENING SESSION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1942

PLACE: ARENA—KANSAS CITY MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM

(Joint Session—The American Legion and The American Legion Auxiliary)

9:00 a. m. Music: Kansas City American Legion Band

9:30 a. m. Call to Order: LYNN U. STAMBAUGH, (North Dakota) National Commander

Invocation: FATHER FREDERICK J. HALLORAN, (New Jersey) National Chaplain

Advancement of Colors

Solo—"Star Spangled Banner," Miss Josephine Antoine,  
Official Soloist

Call for Convention: FRANK E. SAMUEL, (Kansas) National Adjutant

Addresses of Welcome:

HONORABLE F. C. DONNELL, Governor, State of Missouri

HONORABLE PAYNE RATNER, Governor, State of Kansas

HONORABLE JOHN B. GAGE, Mayor, Kansas City

JAMES A. YOUNG, Chairman, The American Legion 1942 Convention Committee of Kansas City

DR. G. A. CLASON, 1941-42 Commander, Department of Missouri, The American Legion 1942

Response: STEPHEN F. CHADWICK, (Washington) Past National Commander, The American Legion

Presentation of Medallion to HONORABLE JOHN L. BOHN, Acting Mayor, City of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in which previous National Convention was held, by HONORABLE JAMES MONROE JOHNSON (S. C.)

Response: HONORABLE JOHN L. BOHN, Acting Mayor, City of Milwaukee

Greetings:

MRS. MARK W. MURRILL, National President, The American Legion Auxiliary

DR. L. J. KOSMINSKY, Chef de Chemin de Fer, Forty and Eight

11:00 a. m. Address: JAMES M. LANDIS, Director, Office of Civilian Defense

Committee Reports

(a) Permanent Organization

(b) Credentials

(c) Rules

Presentation of Distinguished Guests:

12:00 noon Address: HONORABLE FRANK KNOX, Secretary of the Navy

12:30 p. m. Address: HONORABLE ROBERT P. PATTERSON, Undersecretary of War

12:45 p. m. Address: W. P. WITHEROW, President, National Association of Manufacturers

1:00 p. m. Address: LT. GENERAL BREHON SOMERVELL, Chief Services of Supply

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## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1942—Continued

1:15 p. m. Report of National Commander  
1:30 p. m. Address: HONORABLE PAUL V. McNUTT, (Indiana) Past National Commander, The American Legion; Administrator, Federal Security Agency, and Director, War Manpower Commission  
Retirement of Colors  
Adjournment  
3:00 p. m. Meeting of all Convention Committees—Municipal Auditorium

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1942

PLACE: ARENA—KANSAS CITY MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM

1:30 p. m. Music: Kansas City American Legion Band  
2:00 p. m. Call to Order: LYNN U. STAMBAUGH, (North Dakota) National Commander  
Invocation: FATHER FREDERICK J. HALLORAN, (New Jersey) National Chaplain  
Advancement of Colors  
Presentation of Distinguished Guests  
Address: A. C. FLORA, President, National Education Association  
2:30 p. m. Address: LOUIS JOHNSON, (West Virginia) Past National Commander, The American Legion  
Address: FRANK T. HINES, The Administrator of Veterans' Affairs  
Address: LT. GENERAL BEN LEAR, Commanding, Second Army  
Convention Committee Reports  
Americanism  
Child Welfare  
Constitutional Amendments  
Employment  
Finance  
Education of Orphans of Veterans  
Foreign Relations  
International Organization  
Legislation  
National Defense  
Publications  
Rehabilitation  
Resolutions  
National Convention Liaison (Standing Committee)  
3:15 p. m. Address: HONORABLE WILLIAM GREEN, President American Federation of Labor  
**MEMORIAL SERVICES:**  
FATHER FREDERICK J. HALLORAN, National Chaplain  
“There Is No Death”—O’Hara—Miss Josephine Antoine,  
Official Soloist  
Silent Prayer  
Taps  
Address: ALBERT P. SMITH, JR., Winner, 1942 National High School Oratorical Contest  
Retirement of Colors  
Adjournment

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1942**

**PLACE: ARENA—KANSAS CITY MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM**

**8:30 a.m. Music:** Kansas City American Legion Band

**9:00 a.m. Call to Order:** LYNN U. STAMBAUGH, (North Dakota)  
National Commander

**Invocation:** FATHER FREDERICK J. HALLORAN, (N. J.)  
National Chaplain

**Advancement of Colors**

**Address:** DONALD M. NELSON, Chairman, War Production  
Board

**Presentation of Distinguished Guests**

Presentation of American Legion Distinguished Service Medal  
to GENERAL DOUGLAS MacARTHUR, *in absentia*

**Acceptance of Medal:** MAJOR GENERAL JAMES A. ULIO,  
the Adjutant General

**Address:** JAMES K. McCLINTOCK, Vice-Chairman, in Charge  
of Finance, American Red Cross

**Report on American Legion Citizens Defense Corps Training  
Program,** RAY MURPHY, Director

**Reports of Convention Committees**

Presentation of Message in Behalf of British Legion by LIEU-  
TENANT COLONEL SIR IAN FRASER, M.P.

**Announcement of National Commander's Scholarship Awards**

**Announcement of Trophy Awards**

- (a) Post History Contest
- (b) Chadwick Editorial Appreciation
- (c) Rosensteel Award
- (d) Hearst Americanism Trophy

**Report on Bond Pledge Campaign,** FRANK L. BELGRANO,  
JR., Director

Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation by EARL T. ROSS,  
Associate Field Director, War Savings Staff, Treasury  
Department

**Unfinished Business**

**New Business**

- (a) Election of Officers

Presentation of Advance 1943 Membership

Presentation of Colors to Outgoing National Commander

JOHN R. QUINN, (California) Past National Commander,  
The American Legion

Presentation of Colors to Incoming National Commander

MILO J. WARNER, (Ohio) Past National Commander, the  
American Legion

**Retirement of Colors**

**Adjournment**

*(NOTE: The National Executive Committee will meet within twenty-four hours after the adjournment of the National Convention, upon call of the National Commander.)*

## NATIONAL OFFICERS



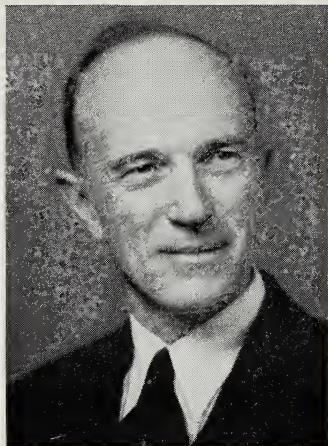
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National Adjutant



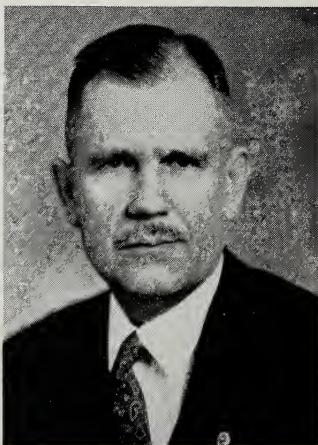
**JOHN RAY RUDDICK**  
National Treasurer



**RALPH B. GREGG**  
National Judge Advocate

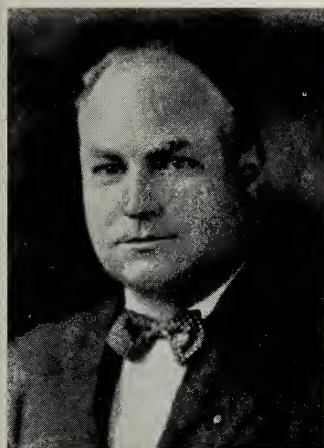


**W. C. (TOM) SAWYER**  
National Vice-Commander



**CHARLES E. BOOTH**  
National Vice-Commander

# THE AMERICAN LEGION



THOMAS M. OWEN, JR.  
National Historian



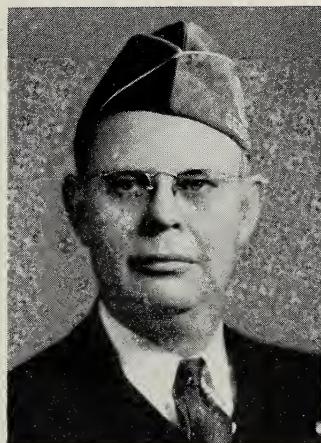
THE REV. FATHER  
FREDERICK J. HALLORAN  
National Chaplain



JOHN FRANCIS SULLIVAN  
National Vice-Commander



V. M. ARMSTRONG  
National Vice-Commander



WILLIAM DELACEY ALLEN  
National Vice-Commander

# OFFICIAL PROGRAM

## Twenty-Second Annual National Convention

# AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1942

ADVANCE MEETINGS

10:30 a.m. National Executive Committee Meeting, American Legion Auxiliary, Aztec Room, President Hotel

9:00 a.m. Eight and Forty Pouvoir Meeting, President Hotel

1:30 p.m. Eight and Forty Marche Nationale, President Hotel

1:30 p.m. Convention Committee Meetings, Municipal Auditorium  
    Credentials:  
        Miss Blanche W. Scallen, Chairman, Gallery of Music Hall  
    Permanent Organization:  
        Mrs. Harrison Smith, Chairman, Orchestra of Music Hall

2:00 p.m. Convention Committee Meetings, Municipal Auditorium  
    Child Welfare:  
        Mrs. Lee W. Hutton, Chairman,  
            Orchestra Floor of Music Hall  
    Constitution and By-Laws:  
        Mrs. Myrtle J. Chafee, Chairman, Gallery of Music Hall  
    Music:  
        Mrs. Harlan Briggs, Chairman, Balcony of Music Hall  
    Rehabilitation:  
        Mrs. Alfred J. Mathebat, Chairman, Main Floor, Arena

3:00 p.m. Convention Committee Meetings, Municipal Auditorium  
    Americanism:  
        Mrs. Norton H. Pearl, Chairman, Main Floor, Arena  
    Civilian Defense:  
        Mrs. Malcolm Douglas, Chairman, Balcony of Music Hall  
    Community Service:  
        Mrs. Lutie Long Smith, Chairman, Loge, Arena  
    Education of Orphans of Veterans:  
        Mrs. Joseph F. Mieczynski, Chairman, Loge, Arena  
    Junior Activities:  
        Mrs. C. D. Cunningham, Chairman, Loge, Arena  
    Legislation:  
        Mrs. Charles B. Gilbert, Chairman, Loge, Arena  
    Membership:  
        Mrs. Frank D. Grantham, Chairman, Gallery of Music Hall  
    National Defense:  
        Mrs. Lawrence Smith, Chairman,  
            Orchestra Foyer of Music Hall<sup>18</sup>  
    Pan-American Study:  
        Mrs. R. Elton Warman, Chairman, Loge, Arena  
    Poppy:  
        Mrs. E. M. Stonebraker, Chairman, Music Hall Lounge  
    Publication:  
        Mrs. Harold Diers, Chairman, Music Hall Lobby  
    Radio:  
        Mrs. Eben P. Keen, Chairman, Stage of Music Hall

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1942—Continued

3:30 p. m. Convention Committee Meetings, Municipal Auditorium  
Employment:  
    Mrs. Jett Thomas, Chairman, Loge, Arena  
Finance:  
    Mrs. W. Harvey Stegman, Chairman,  
        First Tier, Central Street Entrance of Arena  
Resolutions:  
    Mrs. Lowell C. Allen, Chairman, Loge, Arena  
Rules:  
    Miss Adelaide Fitzgerald, Chairman, Loge, Arena  
Trophies, Awards and Emblems:  
    Mrs. John V. Lewis, Chairman, Loge, Arena

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1942

9:00 a. m. Attendance at opening of National Convention of The American Legion, Municipal Auditorium

### OPENING SESSION

#### American Legion Auxiliary National Convention Music Hall of the Municipal Auditorium

1:15 p. m. Concert: Greater Kansas City American Legion Majorette Corps  
1:30 p. m. Processional of National Officers and Distinguished Guests  
1:45 p. m. Call to Order by the National President, Mrs. Mark W. Murrill  
Advance of Colors  
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Mrs. Norton H. Pearl,  
    National Americanism Chairman  
Invocation: Mrs. E. F. Hussman, National Chaplain  
THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER  
Reading of the Call to the Convention,  
    Mrs. Gwendolyn MacDowell, National Secretary  
Greetings from the Department of Missouri,  
    American Legion Auxiliary Department President, Mrs.  
    Harry Mayo  
2:10 p. m. Presentation of Convention Chairmen by the National Chairman  
    of the Convention Committee, Mrs. A. B. Weyer  
2:30 p. m. Presentation of National President's Pages  
2:35 p. m. Reports:  
    National Secretary, Mrs. Gwendolyn Wiggin MacDowell  
    National Treasurer, Mrs. Cecilia S. Wenz  
    National Historian, Mrs. R. W. Waldrop  
2:45 p. m. Greetings: National Chaplain, Mrs. E. F. Hussman  
Greetings: National Vice-Presidents, American Legion Auxiliary  
    Mrs. Grace Gilbert King, Central Division  
    Mrs. Nathaniel S. Hawthorne, Eastern Division  
    Mrs. Ernest J. Goppert, Northwestern Division  
    Mrs. Richard Redwood, Southern Division  
    Mrs. M. G. Andresen, Western Division  
3:15 p. m. Annual Report of the National President, Mrs. Mark W. Murrill  
3:30 p. m. Greetings: Past National Presidents  
    Mrs. Lowell Fletcher Hobart      Mrs. William H. Biester, Jr.  
    Mrs. Franklin Lee Bishop      Mrs. Albin Charles Carlson  
    Mrs. J. W. Macauley      Mrs. Melville Mucklestone  
    Mrs. Robert Walbridge      Mrs. O. W. Hahn  
    Mrs. Boyce Ficklen, Jr.      Mrs. Malcolm Douglas  
    Mrs. Donald Macrae      Mrs. James Morris  
    Mrs. Robert Lincoln Hoyal      Mrs. William Corwith  
    Mrs. Frederick C. Williams      Mrs. Louis J. Lemstra  
    Mrs. S. Alfred Blackburn

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## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1942—Continued

4:00 p. m. Address: MR. LYNN U. STAMBAUGH, National Commander,  
The American Legion

### Reports of Convention Committees:

Permanent Organization: Mrs. Harrison Smith, Chairman  
Credentials: Miss Blanche W. Scallen, Chairman

Rules: Miss Adelaide Fitzgerald, Chairman

Address: COLONEL OVETA CULP HOBBY, Director,  
Women's Army Auxiliary Corps

### Reports of Convention Committees:

Constitution and By-Laws: Mrs. Myrtle J. Chafee, Chairman  
Report on Combination of Committees:

Mrs. Melville Mucklestone, Chairman

### Retirement of Colors

### Adjournment

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### Divisional Caucuses, Municipal Auditorium

(Immediately following adjournment of Convention Session)

Mrs. Grace Gilbert King, Vice-President, Central Division  
Music Hall, Orchestra Floor

Mrs. Nathaniel S. Hawthorne, Vice-President, Eastern Division  
Music Hall, Balcony Foyer

Mrs. Ernest J. Goppert, Vice-President, Northwestern Division  
Music Hall Balcony

Mrs. Richard Redwood, Vice-President, Southern Division  
Music Hall State

Mrs. M. G. Andresen, Vice-President, Western Division  
Music Hall Gallery

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1942

10:00 a. m. Final Eight and Forty Pourvoir Meeting

1:00 p. m. Convention Convenes, Municipal Auditorium

Call to Order by the National President, Mrs. Mark W. Murrill  
Advance of Colors

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Mrs. Norton H. Pearl,  
National Americanism Chairman

Invocation: Mrs. E. F. Hussman, National Chaplain

Solo: Mrs. George W. Bryan

Nomination of National Officers

2:00 p. m. Presentation of Red Cross Mobile Units

Acceptance and Address: Mrs. Roy N. Pierson, Member Volunteer Special Services, The American Red Cross

### Reports of Convention Committees:

Employment: Mrs. Jett Thomas, Jr., Chairman

Community Service: Mrs. Lutie Long Smith, Chairman

Americanism: Mrs. Norton H. Pearl, Chairman

Legislative: Mrs. Charles B. Gilbert, Chairman

Poppy: Mrs. E. M. Stonebraker, Chairman

Finance: Mrs. W. Harvey Stegman, Chairman

### Presentation of Distinguished Guests

### Reports of Convention Committees

Education of Orphans of Veterans:

Mrs. Joseph F. Mieczynski, Chairman

Presentation of National President's Scholarships

Pan-American Study: Mrs. R. Elton Warman, Chairman

## SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1942—Continued

**Address:** WILLIAM C. FITZGIBBON, Special Assistant to  
Secretary of the Treasury, Henry C. Morgenthau

### Reports of Convention Committees

Music: Mrs. Harlan Briggs, Chairman  
National Defense: Mrs. Lawrence Smith, Chairman  
Radio: Mrs. Eben P. Keen

### Presentation of Seventh Annual Radio Award

#### Address:

### Reports of Convention Committees

Rehabilitation: Mrs. Alfred J. Mathebat, Chairman

Child Welfare: Mrs. Lee W. Hutton, Chairman

Report of Past Presidents' Parley:

Mrs. William H. Biester, Jr., Chairman

Report of Eight and Forty: Mrs. Hal R. Whitehead,  
Chapeau National

### Retirement of Colors

### Adjournment

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Meeting of Past Presidents' Parley—Following adjournment of  
Convention Session. Orchestra Floor of Music Hall

## MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1942

9:00 a. m. **Convention Convenes**, Municipal Auditorium  
Call to Order by the National President, Mrs. Mark W. Murrill  
Advance of Colors  
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Mrs. Norton H. Pearl,  
National Americanism Chairman  
Invocation: Mrs. E. F. Hussman, National Chaplain  
Solo:

9:20 a. m. **Reports of Convention Committees:**  
Membership: Mrs. Frank D. Grantham, Chairman  
Publication: Mrs. Harold Diers, Chairman  
Civilian Defense: Mrs. Malcolm Douglas, Chairman  
Junior Activities: Mrs. C. D. Cunningham, Chairman  
Constitution and By-Laws: Mrs. Myrtle J. Chafee, Chairman  
Trophies, Awards and Emblem: Mrs. John V. Lewis, Chairman

11:00 a. m. **Address:**

11:30 a. m. **Election of National Officers**  
Unfinished Business

**Reports of Convention Committee:**

Resolutions: Mrs. Lowell C. Allen, Chairman

New Business:

Introduction of newly-elected National Commander of  
The American Legion

Installation of Officers:

Mrs. Melville Mucklestone, Installing Officer  
Presentation of Colors to the Retiring President,  
Mrs. James Morris

**Retirement of Colors**

**Adjournment**

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Post Convention Meeting of the National Executive Committee

## NATIONAL OFFICERS



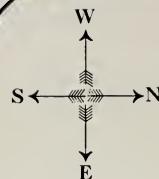
Center—Mrs. Mark W. Murrill, President;  
Upper left—Mrs. Gwendolyn Wiggin MacDowell, Secretary;  
Upper right—Mrs. Cecilia S. Wenz, Treasurer;  
Lower left—Mrs. R. W. Waldrop, Historian;  
Lower right—Mrs. E. F. Hussman, Chaplain.

## AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY



Center—Mrs. Grace Gilbert King, Vice-President, Central Division;  
Upper left—Mrs. Nathaniel S. Hawthorne, Vice-President, Eastern Division;  
Upper right—Mrs. Richard Redwood, Vice-President, Southern Division;  
Lower left—Mrs. M. G. Andresen, Vice-President, Western Division;  
Lower right—Mrs. Ernest J. Goppert, Vice-President, Northwestern Division.

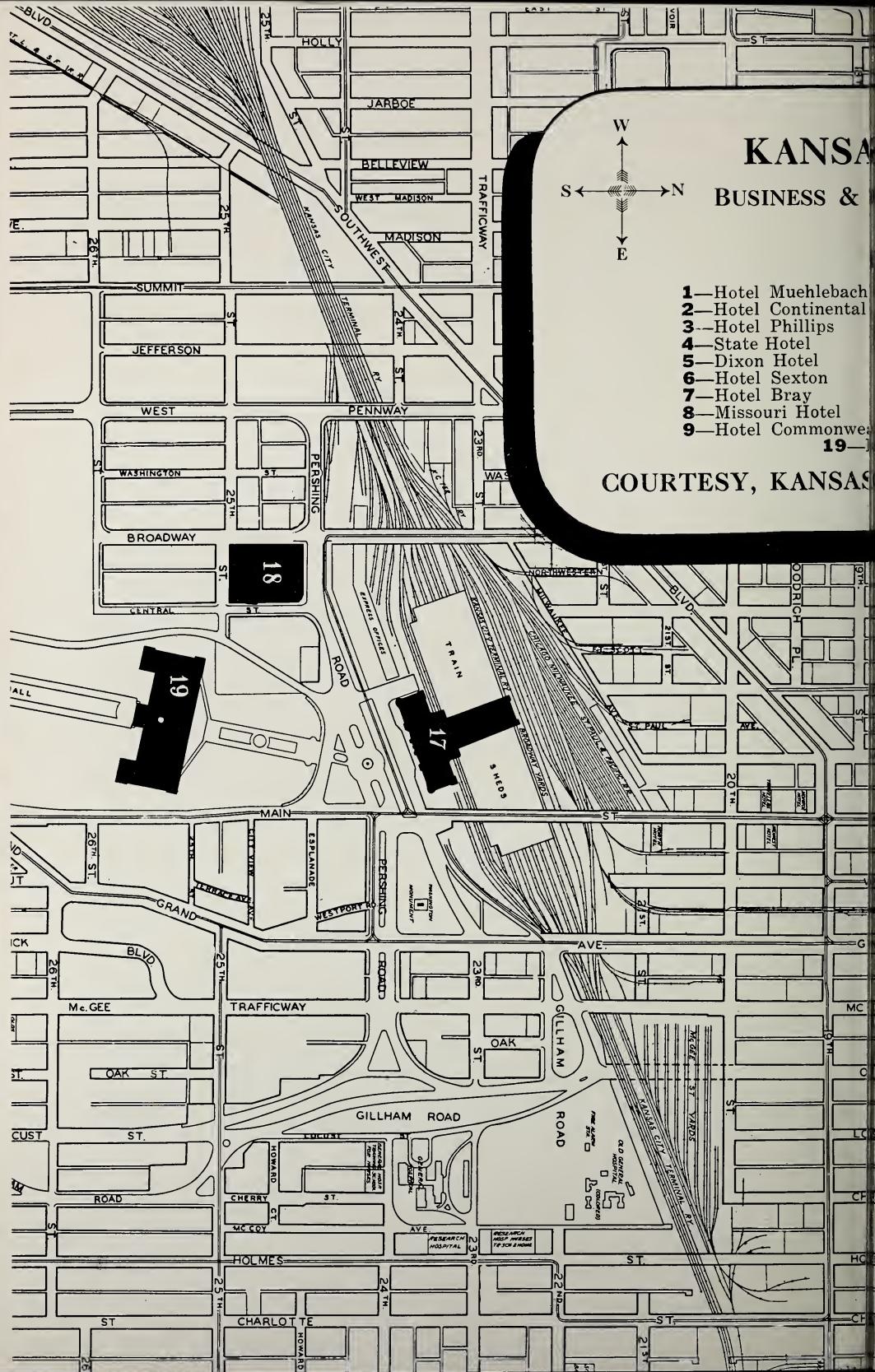
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- 1—Hotel Muehlebach
- 2—Hotel Continental
- 3—Hotel Phillips
- 4—State Hotel
- 5—Dixon Hotel
- 6—Hotel Sexton
- 7—Hotel Bray
- 8—Missouri Hotel
- 9—Hotel Commonwealth

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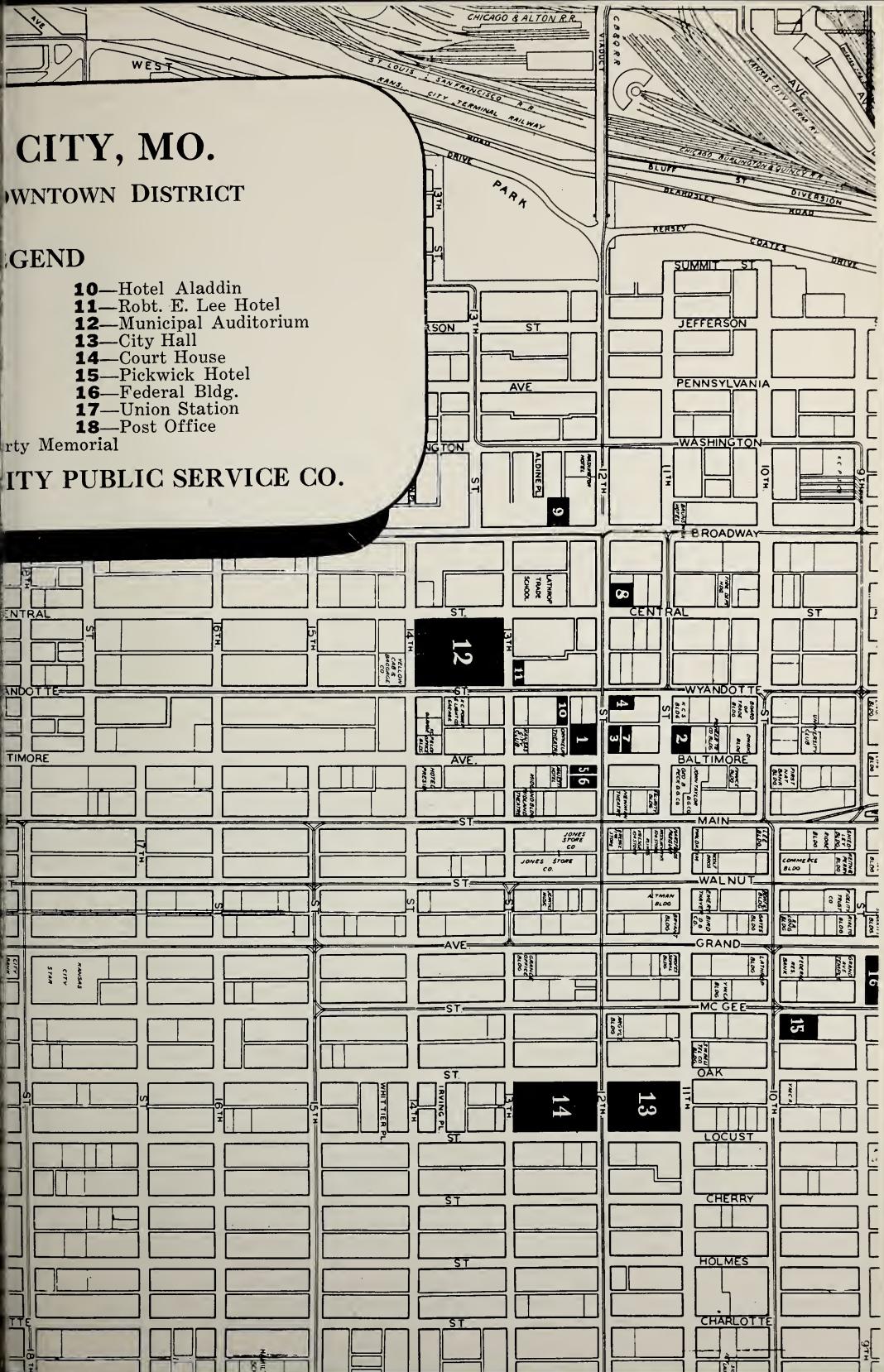
**CITY, MO.**  
**WNTOWN DISTRICT**

AGENDA

- 10**—Hotel Aladdin
- 11**—Robt. E. Lee Hotel
- 12**—Municipal Auditorium
- 13**—City Hall
- 14**—Court House
- 15**—Pickwick Hotel
- 16**—Federal Bldg.
- 17**—Union Station
- 18**—Post Office

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## ITY PUBLIC SERVICE CO.



**O F F I C I A L   P R O G R A M**  
**TWENTY-THIRD PROMENADE NATIONALE**  
**La Societe Des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux**  
**KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI, SEPTEMBER 18-19, 1942**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1942**

**Registration at Legion Booths in connection with Legion Registration in 13th Street Foyer, the Municipal Auditorium, also at Forty and Eight Headquarters, Hotel Continental. Registration fee 50c, includes badge.**

**5:00 p. m.** Meeting of Cheminot Nationaux (National Executive Committee), Reception Room, fifth floor, Hotel Continental, 11th and Baltimore

**5:30 p. m.** Meeting of Committee on Credentials, Committee Room, fifth floor, Hotel Continental

**5:30 p. m.** Meeting of Committee on Rules and Order, Committee Room, fifth floor, Hotel Continental

**5:30 p. m.** Meeting of Committee on Permanent Organization, Committee Room, fifth floor, Hotel Continental

**Opening Session: Green Room, fifth floor, Hotel Continental,  
11th & Baltimore.**

**9:30 p. m.** Call to Order by Chef de Chemin de Fer, Dr. L. J. Kosminsky  
Advancement of Colors  
Invocation by Aumonier National, Rev. D. C. Mallory  
Reading of Call for Promenade Nationale by Correspondent  
National  
Greetings:  
A. B. Weyer, Chairman 1942 Promenade Nationale Committee  
Charles E. Teel, Grand Chef de Gare 1942, Missouri  
Honorable Forrest C. Donnell, Governor of Missouri  
Honorable John B. Gage, Mayor of Kansas City  
Lynn U. Stambaugh, National Commander, The American  
Legion  
Response by Chef de Chemin de Fer, Dr. L. J. Kosminsky

**11:00 p. m.** Memorial Services, Aumonier National, Rev. D. C. Mallory

**11:30 p. m.** Reports of Committees on:  
1. Credentials  
2. Permanent Organization  
3. Rules and Order

**11:45 p. m.** Reports of National Officers  
1. Chef de Chemin de Fer  
2. Commissaire Intendant National  
3. Correspondant National  
4. Historian National  
5. Avocat National

**12:00 p. m.** Announcements, Committee Appointments, etc.  
Retirement of Colors  
Recess

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1942

9:00 a.m. Registration at Legion Booths in connection with Legion registration in 13th Street Foyer, the Municipal Auditorium, also at Forty and Eight Headquarters, the Hotel Continental  
Meeting of all Committees except Credentials, Permanent Organization and Rules and Order, in Committee rooms on fifth floor, Hotel Continental

3:30 p.m. **Promenade Nationale:** Continental Room, 6th floor  
Call to Order by Chef de Chemin de Fer, Dr. L. J. Kosminsky  
Advancement of Colors  
Invocation by Aumonier National, Rev. D. C. Mallory  
Reports of Committees on:  
1. Ritual  
2. Paraphernalia  
3. Voiture Activities  
4. Finance  
5. Resolutions  
6. Child Welfare  
7. Constitution  
8. Trophies and Awards

4:30 p.m. New Business

4:45 p.m. **Election of Officers for 1943**  
Retirement of Colors  
Benediction by Aumonier National 1943  
Adjournment  
Meeting of Cheminots Nationaux 1943 immediately following adjournment of Promenade Nationale

10:00 p.m. Forty and Eight Dinner Dance with floor show, Continental Room, Hotel Continental, tickets \$3.00. Legion Delegates are invited



Interior view of Music Room of Kansas City's Municipal Auditorium.

## NATIONAL OFFICERS OF FORTY AND EIGHT



Center—Dr. L. J. Kosminsky, Chef de Chemin de Fer, 1942;

Top left—Charles W. Ardery, Correspondent National;

Top right—N. Carl Nielson, Commissaire Intendant National;

Bottom left—A. B. Weyer, National Director Voiture Activities, 1942;

Bottom right—Charles E. Teel, Grand Chef de Gare, Missouri, 1942.

## A WORLD-FAMOUS "DUG-OUT"



The Abri of the Kansas City Voiture Forty & Eight is one of the most complete in the country. The Legion emblem and Forty & Eight tab is reproduced on the club room floor in Mosaic and Terrazzo.

Voiture Trois extends to the visiting Voyageurs an invitation to visit its spacious club room located under the American Legion building at 3709 Broadway.

This room, done in knotty pine and with an insulite ceiling, is a cool, comfortable place in which to rest a few minutes or a few hours. One can read, play cards, partake of the finest beverages from a well-stocked bar, or just plain "unlax"!

During the Promenade National, the Abri will be open afternoons and evenings to members of La Societe only. No ladies will be permitted. The American Legion building is 15 minutes from the downtown section on the Broadway-Wornall bus, which may be boarded on Baltimore Ave., southbound, or 10 minutes from the Union Station on the same bus. The Sunset Hill street car, going south on Grand Ave., passes right by the door. Leave both bus and street car at 37th Street.

# P R O G R A M

## L A M A R C H E N A T I O N A L E

LA BOUTIQUE DES HUIT CHAPEAUX ET QUARANTE FEMMES

K A N S A S C I T Y

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 1942

Registration Fee, 50c. Edison Hall, Power and Light Bldg.  
(across the street from President Hotel)

6:00 p. m. National Finance Committee, Chairman Alyce J. Gill  
7:00 p. m. Scholarship Administration and Trustees, Chairman Laura Bidelman

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1942

Registration Fee, 50c—Edison Hall, Power and Light Bldg.

9:00 a. m. National Pouvoir Meeting, Edison Hall, Power and Light Bldg.  
Call to Order by Le Chapeau National, Daisy Whitehead  
Pledge to the Flag, led by La Concierge Nationale, Rose Bassett  
Invocation by L'Aumonier National, Maud Jackson  
Roll Call by States by Secretaire Nationale, Pauline Rairdon  
Ratification of appointment of Marche Parliamentarian  
New Business  
Adjournment

12:00 noon Recess for Fun and Fellowship Luncheon, President Hotel

1:30 p. m. Divisional Caucuses, Edison Hall, Power and Light Bldg.

2:00 p. m. La Marche Nationale, Opening Session, Edison Hall, Power and Light Bldg.  
Processional of National Officers  
Call to order by Le Chapeau National, Daisy Whitehead  
Colors Advanced La Concierge Nationale, Rose Bassett, and Honorary Marshals, Eunice Bradley and Edith Montgomery, Florida  
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, led by Rose Bassett  
Invocation by L'Aumonier National, Maud Jackson  
“In Flanders Field,” by Le Demi Chapeau National, Hazel Davis  
“America’s Answer,” Le Demi Chapeau National, Pauline Carlson  
Song, “Long, Long Trail,” by Helene Taylor  
Roll Call by Secretaire Nationale, Pauline Rairdon  
Reading of Call to La Marche Nationale  
Reading of Minutes of La Marche Nationale, September 14, 1941  
Reading of Minutes of Pouvoir Meeting, September 17, 1941  
Reading of Minutes of Pouvier Meeting, September 18, 1942  
Introduction of Les Officers Nationaux, Les Chapeaux Nationaux  
Passe, Honorary Pages, Honorary Marshals, Personal Page to Le Chapeau National, Distinguished Guests

### Greetings

General Chairman American Legion Auxiliary Convention,  
Mrs. Harriet Weyer  
Chairman La Marche Nationale, Mrs. Frank Hunter and introduction of Marche Committees

### Reports La Marche National Committees:

Permanent Organization Chairman, Leona Theisen, Michigan  
Rules and Order Chairman, Nellie Backherms, Ohio  
Credentials Chairman, Kitty Heer, Missouri

## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1942—Continued

### Greetings

National Commander of The American Legion, M. Lynn U. Stambaugh  
National President of The American Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Mary Murrill

### Greetings

Le Chef du Chemin de Fer, La Societe des Quarante Hommes et Huit Chevaux, Doctor L. J. Kosminsky  
Department President, Missouri American Legion Auxiliary, Mrs. Harry R. Mayo

Memorial: Memorial Service, L'Aumonier National  
Maud Jackson

### Adoption of Printed Reports:

Report of Le Chapeau National, Daisy Whitehead  
Recommendations by Le Chapeau National, Daisy Whitehead  
Reports of Les Demi Chapeaux Nationaux  
Eastern Division, Maud Burgess  
Central Division, Emily Francke  
Southern Division, Pauline Carlson  
Northwestern Division, Hazel Davis

Report of La Secrétaire Caissière Nationale, Pauline Raidon  
Reports

L'Archiviste Nationale, Marie Sweeney  
L'Aumonier National, Maud Jackson  
La Concierge Nationale, Rose Bassett  
L'Avocate Nationale, Margaret Delles  
La Surintendante Nationale, Frances Casserly  
L'Organistre Nationale, Mary Haws

### Reports of Standing Committees

Child Welfare, Chairman, Dollie Jacobson  
Introduction of Area Chairmen—Area A, Grace Stockhaus; Area B, Billy Murphy; Area C, Corinne Craig; Area D, Nellie Backherms; Area E, Alene Beckerman  
Partnership Committee, Agnes Reynolds, Chairman  
Introduction of Area Chairmen—Area A, Ruth Bowen; Area B, Edith Aumack; Area C, Essie Jones; Area D, Aubra Breene; Area E, Amelia Gordon  
Hospital Committee, Mrs. Oscar Hanson, Chairman  
Introduction of subcommittee—Ruby B. Naffziger, Colorado; Grace R. Weil, Arizona; Florence Weiser, Florida; Agnes Dodd, California  
Scholarship Administration, Laura Bidelman, Chairman  
Introduction of Area Chairmen—Area A, Alice Ellingwood; Area B, Eva Fortune; Area C, Frances Low; Area D, Ann Ursem; Area E, Frances Price  
Auxiliary Membership Committee, Pansy Kennedy, Chairman  
Area A, Frances Hayes; Area B, Lillian Joyce, Area C, Marion Danforth; Area D, Mae Smith; Area E, Pearl Kelly Sweet  
Ritual and Regalia Committee, Minnie Vance, Chairman  
Committed members—Arlene Dugan, Margaret Barr  
Radio, Mabel Seilhamer, Chairman  
Personal Secretary, Irene Rovira  
Public Relations, Catherine Crompton, Chairman  
Hat Box Editor and Publicity Director, Thelma Bailey  
Constitution and By-Laws Committee, Margaret Delles, Chairman  
Committee members—Mary E. MacAfee Fay, Mary McClung

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MRS. DAISY WHITEHEAD  
Le Chapeau Nationale, Eight & Forty

**PROGRAM LA MARCHE NATIONALE—Continued**  
**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1942—Continued**

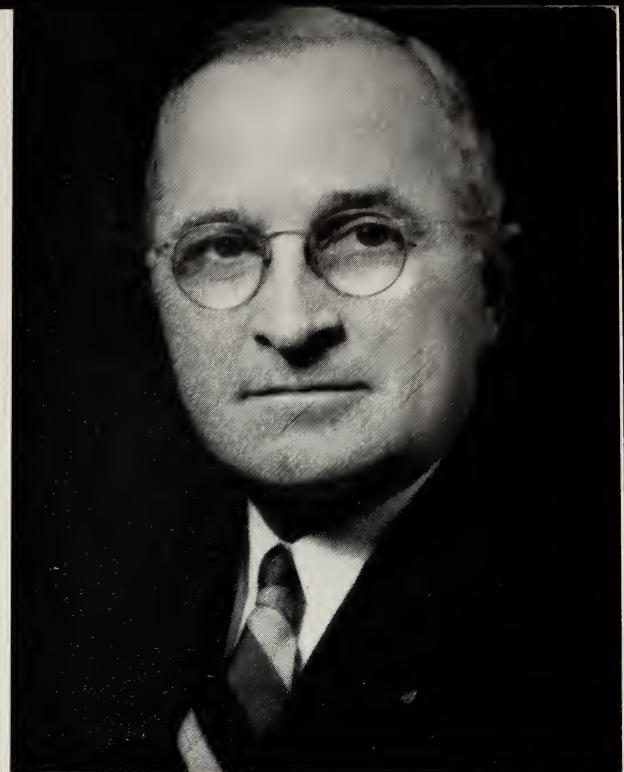
Marche Resolutions Committee, Hazel Dotson, California,  
Chairman  
Committee members—Ann B. Cook, New Mexico; Elsie  
Brown, New Hampshire  
Finance Committee, Alyce J. Gill, Chairman  
Committee members—Ellen Louise Warren, Ann Dobson  
Trophies, Awards and Emblems, Mary Dana, Chairman  
Committee members—Peggy Underwood, Edna Raynor  
New Business  
Nomination and Election of Officers  
Le Chapeau National, L'Archiviste Nationale; L'Aumonier  
National, La Concierge Nationale  
Ratification of election of Les Demi-Chapeau Nationaux (elec-  
tion held at Divisional Caucus, September 18, 1942)  
Presentation of newly elected officers  
Installation  
Announcements  
Colors Retired  
Adjournment

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1942**

10:00 a.m. National Pouvoir Meeting, President Hotel, Walnut Room  
Call to Order Le Chapeau National Passe, Daisy Whitehead  
Unfinished business  
Presentation of newly elected officers, newly elected Chapeau  
National presiding  
New business  
Adjournment

**JUNIOR UNITED  
STATES SENATOR  
FROM MISSOURI**

Harry S. Truman has been active in the American Legion since its inception. He is a member of Post No. 340, Kansas City, Mo.



**SENIOR UNITED  
STATES SENATOR  
FROM MISSOURI**

Bennett Champ Clark, one of the founders and first National Commander of The American Legion. He continues to be an active Legionnaire.

**Hotel Assignments to the Various Departments for the  
American Legion National Convention**

DEPARTMENT	HOTEL	TELEPHONE
Alabama.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
Alaska.....	Continental.....	HA. 6040
Arizona.....	Bellerive.....	VA. 7047
Arkansas.....	Continental.....	HA. 6040
California.....	{ State..... LaSalle.....	GR. 5310 LO. 5262
Colorado.....	Pickwick.....	GR. 5100
Connecticut.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
Delaware.....	Dixon.....	VI. 9731
Dist. of Columbia.....	Bellerive.....	VA. 7047
Florida.....	Phillips.....	GR. 5020
Georgia.....	Continental.....	HA. 6040
Idaho.....	Dixon.....	VI. 9731
Illinois.....	{ Aladdin..... Robert E. Lee.....	VI. 0371 VI. 0022
Indiana.....	President.....	GR. 5440
Iowa.....	Phillips.....	GR. 5020
Kansas.....	State.....	GR. 5310
Kentucky.....	State.....	GR. 5310
Louisiana.....	Phillips.....	GR. 5020
Maine.....	Dixon.....	VI. 9731
Maryland.....	President.....	GR. 5440
Massachusetts.....	Ambassador.....	VA. 5040
Michigan.....	President.....	GR. 5440
Minnesota.....	President.....	GR. 5440
Mississippi.....	Bray.....	VI. 3680
Missouri.....	President.....	GR. 5440
Montana.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
Nebraska.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
Nevada.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
New Hampshire.....	Dixon.....	VI. 9731
New Jersey.....	Sexton.....	VI. 9893
New Mexico.....	Sexton.....	VI. 9893
New York.....	{ Missouri..... Continental.....	VI. 7721 HA. 6040

DEPARTMENT	HOTEL	TELEPHONE
North Carolina.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
North Dakota.....	Phillips.....	GR. 5020
Ohio.....	Continental.....	HA. 6040
Oklahoma.....	State.....	GR. 5310
Oregon.....	Continental.....	HA. 6040
Pennsylvania.....	Pickwick.....	GR. 5100
Rhode Island.....	Continental.....	HA. 6040
South Carolina.....	Robert E. Lee.....	VI. 0022
South Dakota.....	Commonwealth.....	HA. 4410
Tennessee.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
Texas.....	Phillips.....	GR. 5020
Utah.....	Dixon.....	VI. 9731
Vermont.....	Dixon.....	VI. 9731
Virginia.....	Robert E. Lee.....	VI. 0022
Washington.....	Phillips.....	GR. 5020
West Virginia.....	Phillips.....	GR. 5020
Wisconsin.....	Phillips.....	GR. 5020
Wyoming.....	Commonwealth.....	HA. 4410

#### Foreign Departments

Canada.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
France.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
Hawaii.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
Italy.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
Mexico.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
Panama.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
Philippine Islands.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
Puerto Rico.....	Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400

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National Headquarters.....	{ Muehlebach.....	GR. 1400
	{ Phillips.....	GR. 5020
Auxiliary.....	President.....	GR. 5440
Eight and Forty.....	President.....	GR. 5440
Forty and Eight.....	Continental.....	HA. 6040
National Hdqts. Staff.....	Robert E. Lee.....	VI. 0022

# S P E C I A L   E V E N T S

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## PROGRAM OF EX-SERVICE WOMEN'S ACTIVITIES

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1942

3-5 o'clock p. m. Tea given by members of Missouri District No. 2. Place—Nurses Club, 4343 Oak Street.

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 1942

10 o'clock p. m. Meeting of Executive Committee, National Organization World War Nurses. Place—Hotel Muehlebach.

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 1942

7:30 o'clock a. m. Annual meeting and breakfast, National Organization World War Nurses. Place—Hotel Muehlebach. Anna C. Robinson, Chairman; Phyllis Marie Dazey, Vice Chairman.

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## PAST DEPARTMENT COMMANDERS' DINNER

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1942

Past Department Commanders' Dinner. Hon. Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, is the principal speaker. Reception at 6 o'clock p. m. Dinner at 7 o'clock p. m., Hotel President.

WM. A. KITCHEN, Chairman

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## FUN AND FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

LA MARCHE NATIONALE

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1942

12:00 NOON

WALNUT ROOM, HOTEL PRESIDENT

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## THOS. J. KIELY POST DEDICATION

Dedication of Memorial Flag by Thomas J. Kiely Post No. 93, of Kansas City, Mo., honoring the memory of Thomas J. Kiely, killed in action during the Meuse-Argonne offensive.

Time—Sunday, Sept. 20, 9 o'clock a. m.

Place—Thos. J. Kiely Memorial Park, 47th and Paseo.

ALL LEGIONNAIRES CORDIALLY INVITED

## OFFICERS OF KANSAS CITY NATIONAL CONVENTION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



Center—James A. Young, Chairman;  
Upper left—Fred L. Hildebrand, Secretary;  
Upper right—Raymond Ramsey, Treasurer;  
Lower left—Dr. G. A. Clason, Dept. Commander, Mo., 1942;  
Lower right—H. E. Boning, Jr., Executive Secretary.

## MEMBERS OF KANSAS CITY NATIONAL



Upper left—George Fiske;  
Upper right—Earl B. Taylor;  
Center left to right—Wm. M. Symon, Mrs. A. B. Weyer, A. B. Weyer;  
Lower left—Maj. General E. M. Stayton;  
Lower right—Lowell R. Johnson.

## CONVENTION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



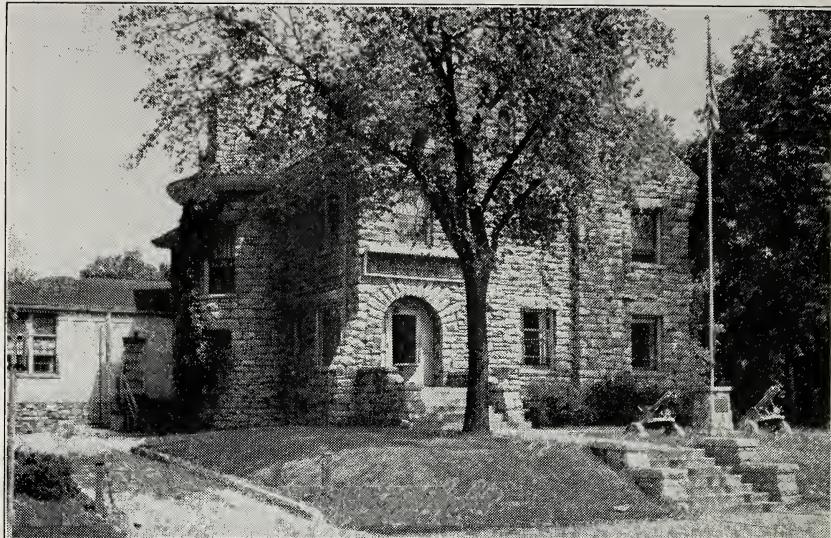
Upper left—E. E. Thompson;

Upper right—Walter B. Warren;

Center left to right—Wm. B. Stone, Harry M. Gambrel, James B. Kerrigan;

Lower left—Arthur C. Wahlstedt;

Lower right—James J. Jeffress.



## **HOME OF THE LEGION In Kansas City**

The American Legion Building, at 3709 Broadway, is recognized as one of the finest and most complete of its kind in the United States. Its commodious arrangements and equipment make it possible for several meetings to be held at the same time without interference.

Fifteen of Kansas City's twenty-six posts, the City Central Executive Committee, the Fifth District Auxiliary, and other bodies affiliated with the American Legion conduct their regular monthly meetings at the Home.

The Home is also headquarters for the Missouri Department, the Missouri Department of the Auxiliary, the City Central Executive Committee, the Service Officer for the Western District of Missouri, and that of the Missouri Legionnaire, the Department's official publication.

A cordial invitation to visit the Home is issued to all attending the Convention. The Home may be reached by the Sunset Hill street cars or the Broadway bus. The visiting Forty and Eight Voyageurs will find the Abri of Voiture Locale, in the basement of the Legion Home, open each afternoon and evening during the Convention. They are especially urged to visit the Abri.

## 1942 NATIONAL CONVENTION COMMITTEE

JAMES A. YOUNG.....	<i>Chairman</i>
RAYMOND RAMSEY.....	<i>Treasurer</i>
FRED L. HILDEBRAND.....	<i>Secretary</i>
H. E. BONING, JR.....	<i>Executive Secretary</i>

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

William M. Symon, *Chairman*  
Barney Allis  
Porter T. Hall  
V. A. Newman  
Chester C. Smith  
George R. Hicks  
Frank Rushton  
N. B. Janson  
Karl Kooper  
Harry Palmer  
Louis H. Ehrlich  
H. P. Brown  
Grant Stauffer  
Jesse B. Buster  
J. Willard Smith  
C. C. Payne  
G. W. Weston  
G. A. Johnson  
Burgess H. Brown  
J. C. Cash  
Frank McGee  
John M. Nuckols  
John E. Miller  
C. R. Anderson  
David B. Childs  
Charles F. Self  
Carl Hise  
George J. Smith  
Arthur C. Wahlstedt  
C. M. Hayman  
Paul E. Connor  
E. G. Borserine  
F. H. Floyds  
S. L. Meade

### HALLS AND MEETING ROOMS COMMITTEES

James B. Kerrigan, *Chairman*  
Charles Passiglia  
Roy W. Hansen  
Jason H. Miller  
Girard Metcalf  
Albert J. Reynolds  
Orel E. Brown  
Thomas E. Walsh

### HOUSING COMMITTEE

George Fiske, *Chairman*  
Earl S. Smith  
H. R. (John) Cotton  
S. M. DeCamp  
Jerry F. Duggan  
Charles S. Stevenson  
Herman Shapiro

### REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION COMMITTEE

Walter B. Warren, *Chairman*  
Marvin O. Sherman  
Carl A. Johnson  
George M. Thompson  
Salvatore G. Maglio  
William V. Mallon  
George E. Rhodes  
George J. Kumpf  
James A. Griffin  
Raymond A. Walker  
Carl M. Morgan  
Harry E. Canfield  
Delbert Lowry  
Floyd L. Taylor  
Herman J. Galamba  
J. Ray Gerbey  
Frank Pexton  
J. A. Ekstrom  
Paul S. Staats  
George F. Stephens  
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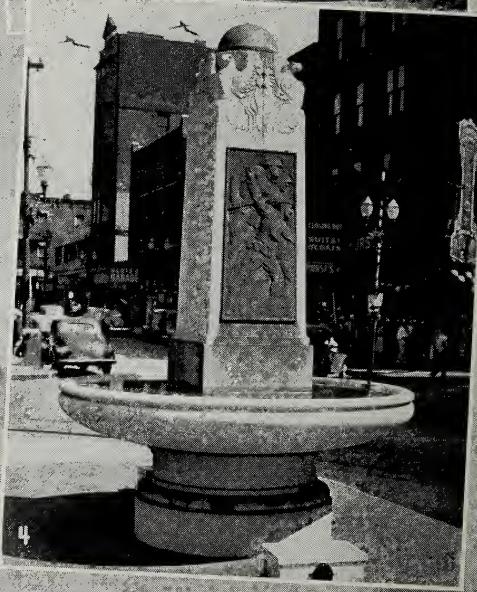
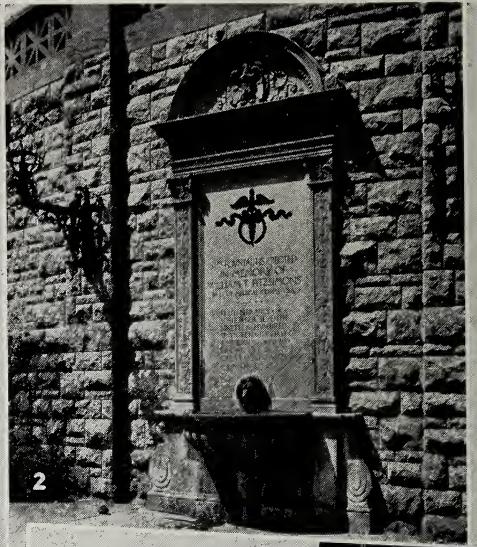
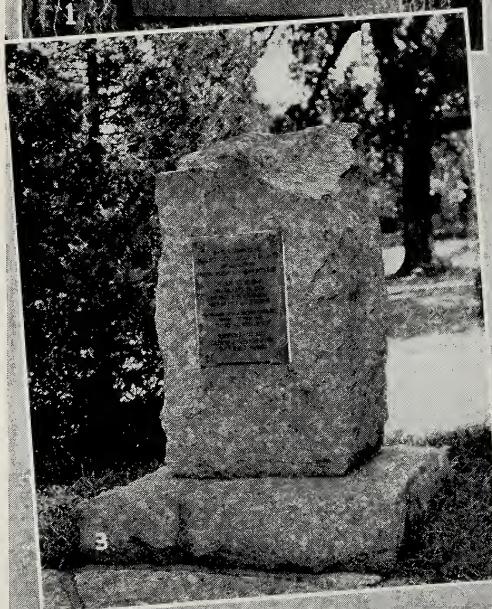
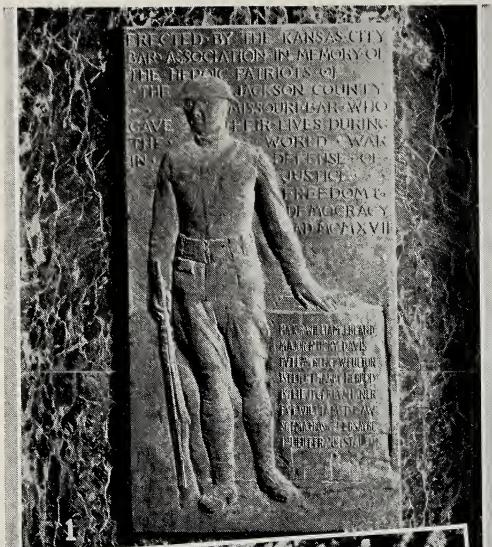
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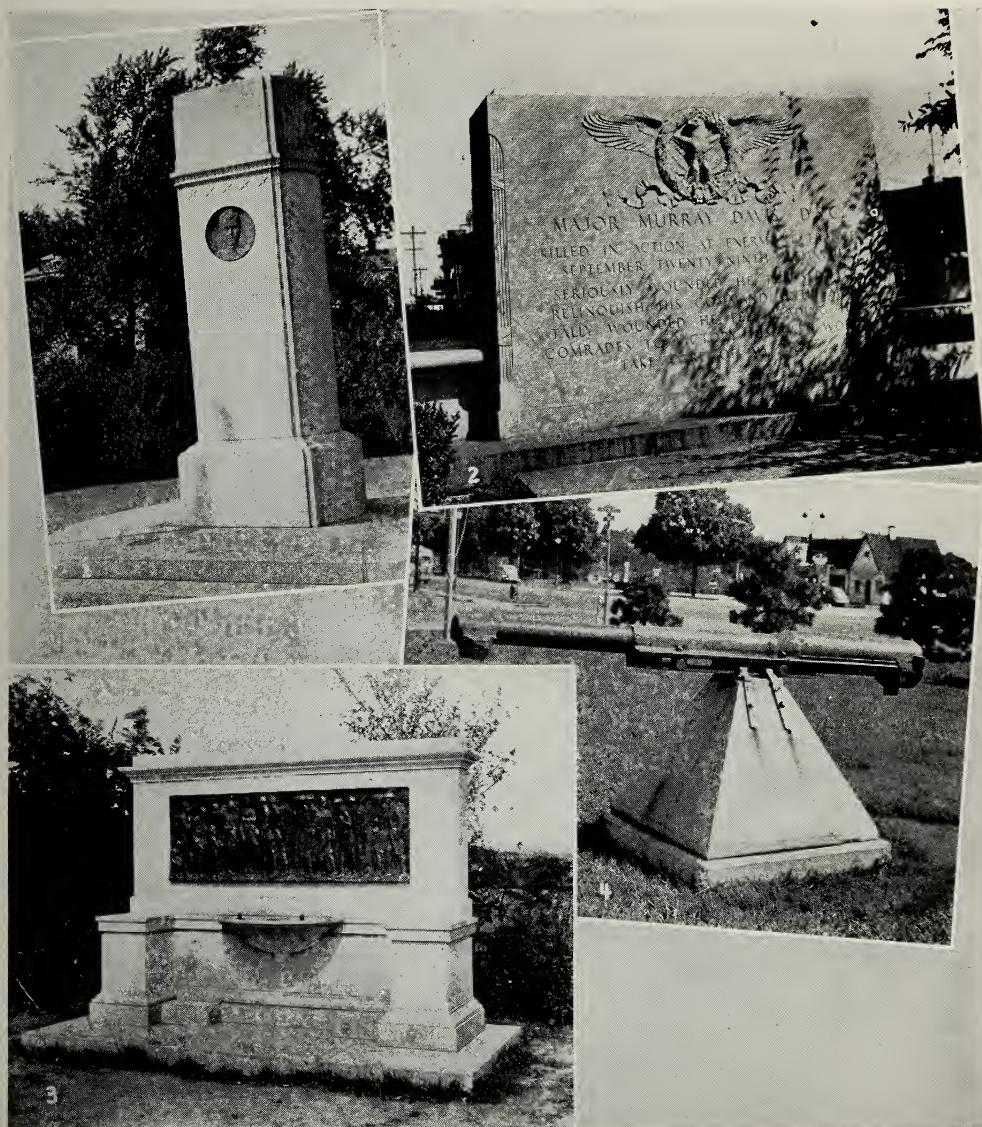
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